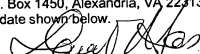




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RESPONSE

Remarks

The following remarks are submitted in response to the office action of March 27, 2007. Claims 1-11 have been rejected under Section 102(a) or, in the alternative, Section 103(a) as anticipated by or obvious over WO03/024910. Claims 1-11 have also been rejected under Section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bolinger in combination with Kaizik et al. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

The Applicant submits the enclosed Declaration Under Rule 131 to remove WO03/024910 as a reference against this application. The Declaration and the attachments thereto prove the Applicant's invention claimed herein was made prior to the priority date of the world patent application, September 17, 2001. The Declarant, Dr. Arie Van Zon, describes a